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**LETTER CONFIRMING USPTO RECEIPT OF PRIORITY DOCUMENTS**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Letter is submitted to confirm that Applicant has properly and timely entered into the record of the above-identified application the certified priority documents upon which Applicant has made a claim for the benefit of priority. Enclosed is Form PCT/IB/304 which confirms that the certified priority documents have been entered into the record of this application. In this regard, it is noted that all of the priority documents are available at the WIPO website for this PCT Application and it is requested that the Examiner obtain and enter all of the three priority documents into the USPTO electronic file record, if necessary.

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If any questions arise in the above matters, please contact Applicant's representative, Andrew D. Meikle (Reg. No. 32,868), in the Washington Metropolitan Area at the phone number listed below.

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